

Appendix B

INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER RECORD SHEET REGISTRATION SERVICE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Council No. 582 Date 7-19-90

Full name Bruce W. Chrystie
(no initials if you can possibly get full name)

Social Security Number _____

Address _____

City Arlington State TX ZIP Code 76013

Date of Birth 8-22-53 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age 37 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known.)

Religion Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Nationality American

Occupation Teacher Education college

Weight 135 approx Height 5'7" approx. Race white

Color of hair dark blonde Color of eyes _____

Outstanding characteristics or interests _____

Married or single married Children 2 + another child expected
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

House's name _____

Scouting connections: Chartered organization: First Christian Church
Unit No. T56 City Arlington State TX Arlington, TX

Position SM Date registered 1963 Date ~~expired~~ 7-16-90
Suspended

Special recognition _____

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons: Alleged child molestation

Texas Drivers License 08931727

SPECIFY THE FACTS THAT LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION, INCLUDING HOW THE INFORMATION CAME TO THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION, AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

Signed [Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Longhorn - #582

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September 6, 1991

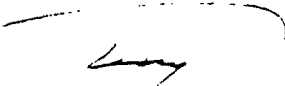
Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service
BSA National Office
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is an article for your file on Bruce W. Chrystie.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Terry L. Schwarck
Scout Executive

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By AMY KEEN
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

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Arlington

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

Thursday A.M., September 5, 1991

September 9, 1991

Mr. Terry L. Schwarck
Scout Executive
Longhorn Council, No. 582

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: BRUCE W. CHRYSTIE

Dear Terry:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: South Central Region, Sum SCR,

READY FOR FILE

SEP 06 1991

ERIN O'RILEY

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August 6, 1991

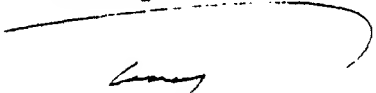
Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
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BSA National Office
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Dear Paul:

In response to your inquiry regarding Bruce W. Chrystie, to the best of our knowledge, he plea bargained for two months in jail beginning in September. That's all the information we have.

Please call if I can be of further help.

Sincerely,


Terry L. Schwarck
Scout Executive

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July 9, 1991

Mr. Terry L. Schwarck
Scout Executive
Longhorn Council, No. 582

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: BRUCE W. CHRYSTIE

Dear Terry:

I know the legal system sometimes moves very slowly, but I wondered if Mr. Chrystie had yet come to trial.

We would like the outcome of the legal action. Newspaper clippings or court records would be most helpful in completing this file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Bill J. Derrick, South Central Region

READY FOR FILE
JUL 09 1991
ERIN O'RILEY

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CALL BACK REQUESTED SECOUNCIL # 582

PHONE NO:

On-Line _____

Batch _____

CALLER: Serry SchwarckPOSITION: SETYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION _____

VETERANS _____

DEBIT _____

CREDIT _____

PROGRAM CODE
& UNIT #

RENEWAL DATE

TRANSMITTAL #

ID #

FILM #

Bruce W. ChristieHe has been arrested
Out on bond. Has yet
to come to trial

SOLUTION:

NAME ClavinDATE 4-4-91

TIME _____

April 3, 1991

READY FOR FILE

APR 03 1991

BARBARA GOSEY

Terry L. Schwarck
Scout Executive
Longhorn Council, No. 582

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: BRUCE W. CHRYSTIE

Dear Terry:

In the summer of 1990, we received information concerning the above named individual. At that time, he had been arrested and indicted for four sexual abuse charges.

We would like to know if the legal action has now been completed. We really need this information for our files in order to have a strong case, and to be able to refuse registration anywhere it might be attempted in the country.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Bill J. Derrick, South Central Region

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Northern Tier National High Adventure
Box 509 - Moose Lake Road
Ely, MN 55731-0509
(218) 365-4811



SUBJECT: POTENTIAL YOUTH PROTECTION VIOLATION 20 September 1990
FROM: Clyde S. Bridges, Director *CSB*
TO: Chuck Buenger, National Director High Adventure
Paul Ernst, Director BSA Registrations

Late afternoon Sunday the 22nd of July 1990 I received a message from our emergency telephone watch that I had been called about a possible youth protection violation. The man who called would not leave a full name or number. The only information given was that his first name was [REDACTED] and he was calling from [REDACTED] Texas about a crew that had been at the Base in early June. I immediately went through the files and found a crew that I thought answered the description, the man I thought might have called was [REDACTED]. I placed a call to [REDACTED] and asked if he had tried to contact me. He identified that he had. My call to [REDACTED] took place at 5:50PM on Sunday the 22nd of July.

The crew in question was 611C (11th of June 1990) advisor Bruce Chrystie.

[REDACTED] told me that several parents suspected Mr. Chrystie of youth protection violations. I told [REDACTED] that I needed something in writing and gave the address and the FAX number at the Ely Base.

I pulled the file and the trip itinerary and found that BSA employee (seasonal canoe guide) Brent Fluty was the Interpreter on the trip. I also noted on the file that this crew had been involved in a possible theft of a flag at the Canadian Ranger station on Basswood Lake. Brent Fluty was on another trip at the time. When Brent returned I questioned him in the presence of William Quinn and Paul Thomas (both BSA employees) about the flag incident and if he had encountered any other problems on the trip. He said that the flag incident was a misunderstanding that had been resolved and that there were no other incidents on the trip. I asked him what tent he had stayed in and he stated that he had been in a tent with Mr. Chrystie and two others. I asked if there were any unusual incidents or horseplay in the tent, he stated not to his knowledge. This concluded the interview, I did not share any particulars with him about the call with [REDACTED] or a possible youth protection violation.

I received no further communication from [REDACTED].

On Monday the 17th of September 1990 I received word from our reservation clerk, Mrs. Linda Zorman, that the Lake County Sheriff would be at the Base on the following morning to discuss a possible youth protection violation.

Undersheriff Harold Paulseth and a Deputy arrived at the Ely Base at 11:15AM Tuesday morning the 18th of September 1990. Mrs. Liz Hyrkas, Mrs. Linda Zorman and myself were present. Undersheriff Paulseth stated that they had received information from the Arlington, Texas police that there was a potential youth protection violation involving crew advisor Bruce Chrystie. He had received this information from Ms. Cynthia Tranquilli, Texas Department of Human Services, Arlington PD [REDACTED]. Undersheriff Paulseth said that the information had come from an interview with a youth member of the crew 611C (no name was given). This interview had taken place on the 6 of September 1990 in Arlington, Texas. No particulars were given. Copies of the BSA file on crew 611C were given to Paulseth. The name and address of Brent Fluty (BSA staff on the trip) was also made available.

I stated what I knew about the incident from the call to [REDACTED] and that I had interviewed Brent Fluty and felt he had no knowledge of any youth protection violations. I explained that I had waited to notify someone because of requesting something in writing and not received anything.

I immediately placed a call to Mr. Buenger, he was not available. I contacted Mr. Buenger early the next morning the 19th of September 1990.

I placed a call to Mr. Paul Ernst on the 20th of September. I Spoke with Ms. Claire Miller and related the above information. Claire told me that charges had already been made by the Longhorn Council and that I should send a copy of my statements to the National Office.



BOY SCOUTS of AMERICA

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September 12, 1990

Paul Ernst
Boy Scouts of America
P. O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

Dear Paul:

Enclosed please find clippings of the incident as it relates to Bruce Wayne Chrystie, the Scoutmaster that I reported to you earlier as suspect in inappropriate touching of children.

Just to remind you, we have already taken action within this council, and Mr. Chrystie is no longer a registered leader in our program.

If you should need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kent Gibbs
Scout Executive

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Saturday, September 8, 1990 T

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Tarrant/Texas Scout leader indicted in 2 cases of abuse

BY ROBERT CAMUTO
AND KATHY SANDERS
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

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When asked if there were additional victims, Morris said "there is an ongoing investigation."

Fort Worth school officials said yesterday that Chrystie was suspended without pay from his job as a fifth-grade teacher at Forest Hill Elementary School immediately after the indictment.

Chrystie, who also has been removed as leader of a Boy Scout troop sponsored by First Christian Church of Arlington, is accused in the indictment of fondling two children — one 11 and one 12 — July 8 at the Sid Richardson Scout Reservation.

Kent Gibbs, Scout executive for the Longhorn Council of the Boy Scouts of America in Fort Worth, said he alerted

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REPORT ON ALLEGED CHILD MOLESTATION CASE OCCURRING JULY 9, 1990
AT SID RICHARDSON SCOUT RANCH
[REDACTED] JACKSBORO, TEXAS 76056

FROM: Kent Gibbs, Scout Executive
Longhorn Council, BSA
4917 Briarhaven Road
Fort Worth, TX 76109

On the evening of Wednesday, July 11, 1990, I was called at my home at approximately 9:30 P.M. by the Council's Camping Director, Mr. Jim Gidley. Mr. Gidley is also serving as the summer camp Director at Sid Richardson Scout Ranch. Mr. Gidley related to me that he had been informed that day of an alleged incident that occurred in the late afternoon of July 8, 1990. Additional violations occurred again approximately 1:00 A.M. on the morning of July 9, 1990, and again at approximately 8:00 A.M., July 9, 1990.

The alleged incident occurred between Mr. Bruce Chrystie, Scoutmaster of Troop 56 sponsored by the First Christian Church of Arlington, Texas, [REDACTED] (Rev. Digby, Pastor), and two boys, the first by the name of [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Arlington, TX, and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Arlington, TX, (see the attached roster.) Further, it is alleged that there are several additional youth whose names and degree of involvement I am not certain, who have had other contacts with Mr. Chrystie on or about this time period.

Mr. Gidley related to me that at approximately 6:00 P.M. on the evening of Wednesday, July 9, 1990, Mr. Randy Joy, Health Officer at Sid Richardson Scout Ranch, came to Mr. Gidley with a report that several Scouts from Troop 56 had come to him with a report that a leader from their unit had been involved in inappropriate sexual behavior with one or more of the boys.

Randy Joy, in his capacity, responded immediately by contacting the Camp Director and arranging a meeting between the Camp Director and the boys at the earliest opportunity.

A group of seven Scouts from Troop 56 met with Mr. Gidley at 8:00 P.M. on the evening of July 11, 1990 at the Health Office. Mr. Randy Joy, Health Officer, was in attendance. Based on the results of the conversation that took place, Mr. Gidley felt that there was reason to take statements from the boys (see attached), and secondly, contact the Scout Executive, which he did at 9:30 that evening.

On Thursday morning, July 12, 1990, I came to my office and did the following.

1. I called Mr. Jim Harper, who has provided legal advice to the Council in such matters. In discussing the situation with Mr. Harper, we determined that we should enact the rules and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America immediately as they are dictated in the Child Sexual Abuse Pamphlet #34-199. Mr. Harper said he would be present if I should so request his involvement in suspending Mr. Chrystie from leadership with the Boy Scouts of America pending further investigation of this incident.

2. I contacted the Council President, Mr. Bob Nichols, and told him of the incident.
3. I contacted Mr. Wayne Taylor of the South Central Region, Boy Scouts of America and reported the incident to him.
4. I contacted Debra Duhs, Risk Management, Boy Scouts of America, and told her of the information that I had, at which point we discussed the counseling provision contained within the process and procedures defined within the Child Sexual Abuse Pamphlet.
5. I contacted Mr. Paul Ernst, Director of Registration/Fulfillment Services, Boy Scouts of America, notifying him of this incident.

I then called Mr. Chrystie and attempted to set an appoint with him regarding "a very serious matter as it related to his involvement with the Scouting program." Mr. Chrystie told me that he had no time available, that he felt that he would not be able to meet with me. As I pursued the situation with him, he told me the first opportunity he would have to meet with me would be at 10:00 A.M. on Monday morning, July 16, 1990. I told him that would be fine. Further, I informed him that I would request that he have no involvement in the programs of the Boy Scouts of America until this meeting took place. He agreed to do that.

I then spoke with Dr. Arthur Digby, the Pastor of the First Christian Church of Arlington. In my conversation with Pastor Digby, I told him that serious allegations had been put forward as it related to Mr. Bruce Chrystie, the Scoutmaster of the troop of that church. Pastor Digby told me that he had already had a conversation with Mr. Tony Timmins (an adult who was in camp with the boys - Mr. Timmins is not registered as a leader with this unit) the previous evening and was well aware of the alleged incident. In our conversation, I told Pastor Digby that the obligation of the Boy Scouts of America was to respect and protect the integrity of all individuals involved. Pastor Digby agreed that this was certainly in everyone's best interest and felt that he wanted to pursue the same avenue of direction. Pastor Digby told me that he had some concern that this incident may only be the tip of the iceberg and expressed further concern about the problems potential liability to both the Boy Scouts and the Church. I told him that the Boy Scouts of America would support the insurance clause covering Sponsoring Institutions, and should the situation necessitate, I would be willing to meet with him to discuss this in greater detail. We both agreed that at this point it was not necessary to pursue it.

We concluded our conversation by agreeing to work together to do whatever we possibly could to protect the integrity of all concerned.

On the morning of July 16, 1990 at 10:00 A.M., I met with Mr. Chrystie in my office. Mr. Jim Harper was in attendance. Mr. Harper was introduced as a volunteer member of the Executive Board of the Longhorn Council. In the conversation that I had with Mr. Chrystie, I told him that he had been accused of inappropriate sexual behavior with young men in his troop at summer camp on the evening of July 8th and the morning of July 9, 1990. Further, I told him that under the circumstances, without passing any judgment, it was in the best interest of the Boy Scouts of America, himself, and the boys involved to immediately suspend him from all Scouting activities as process and procedure

is governed within the rules and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America (see the attached pamphlet.) Further, I explained to Mr. Chrystie his right of appeal and gave him a refund of his adult registration fee. I also informed him that I was obligated to report this incident to the appropriate authorities.

I asked Mr. Chrystie if he had any questions or concern. He then stated something to the effect that he apologized for any embarrassment that his actions may have caused the Boy Scouts of America. He had enjoyed a long-term relationship with us. There being no further conversation, Mr. Chrystie departed.

Approximately two hours later, Mr. Chrystie called me and asked me to whom I was reporting this incident. I told him that I was obligated to report it to the Wise County Department of Child Protective Services and the Sheriff's Department.

My next actions were to prepare this report and gather the necessary materials for preparation to be forwarded to the authorities concerned with this matter, which I am completing.

Since that time I have had contacts by [redacted] business number [redacted] wife of [redacted] and mother of [redacted]. [redacted] told me that her son, [redacted] confirmed approximately the same information contained within his statement. She also told me that she was contacting the appropriate authorities to report this incident.

I have received a phone conversation from [redacted] home phone number [redacted] address [redacted] Arlington, TX 76016. [redacted] told me that his son, [redacted] had also been violated by Mr. Chrystie while on a canoe trip having taken place just two weeks prior to this incident's date. [redacted] told me that he was in the process of contacting all of the current parents and youth registered within the unit, as well as those individuals recently registered within the unit to inform them of this incident and told me that he would prefer charges through the appropriate authorities.

I have received a call from [redacted] Arlington, TX. [redacted] son, [redacted] is not currently registered with this troop but is in the process of transferring from Cub Pack 402. [redacted] told me that his son, [redacted] had confided that he too had been violated by Chrystie.

Since that time through the completion of this report, I have been in constant contact with Dr. Digby on items related to this situation.

In conclusion, this incident, in its detail, is best described with the attachments provided by the boys as they were instructed to write down their experiences when in the original meeting with Mr. Jim Gidley. The troop roster is also attached to this report. At this point, I am distributing a copy of this report to the Wise County Sheriff's Department; to Mr. Paul Ernst, Boy Scouts of America; to Wayne Taylor, Associate Regional Director, Boy Scouts of America; copies will remain within the file at the Council Service Center.

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MEMO

WEDNESDAY
11 JULY 1990

ABOUT 6 PM THIS DATE, RANDY JOY,
HEALTH OFFICER, CAME TO ME WITH A REPORT
THAT SEVERAL SCOUTS FROM T56 HAD
COME TO HIM WITH A REPORT THAT A LEADER
FROM THEIR UNIT HAD MASTURBATED ONE OR
MORE OF THE SCOUTS WHILE HE WAS IN
CAMP, THIS WEEK.

EARLIER

RANDY HAD TOLD THEM THEY SHOULD COME
WITH HIM AND REPORT WHAT HAD HAPPENED
TO ME, THE CAMP DIRECTOR. HE ARRANGED TO
MEET THEM AT THE CAMP VOLLEYBALL GAME
AN HOUR LATER.

A GROUP OF 7 SCOUTS FROM TROOP 56 MET
WITH ME AT 8 PM IN THE HEALTH LODGE.
HEALTH OFFICER RANDY JOY WAS ALSO THERE. EACH
BOY RELATED OCCURRENCES ON SUNDAY NIGHT AND
MONDAY MORNING JULY 8 AND 9. MY PERCEPTION
OF THE STATEMENTS IS THAT AN ACT OF
SEXUAL ABUSE OCCURED AT LEAST ONCE
TOWARDS ONE OR MORE OF THE BOYS.
STATEMENTS OF EACH OF THE 6

BOYS ARE ATTACHED

JAMES M. JULLY
CAMP DIRECTOR 11 JUL 90

ON 7-11-90, [REDACTED] IN THE HEALTH LODGE. FOUR SCOUTS CAME IN AND ASKED IF THEY COULD SPEAK TO ME IN PRIVATE WE ALL WENT INTO THE BACK ROOM. ONE OF THE SCOUTS, [REDACTED] (TROOP 56) TOLD ME ABOUT HIS SCOUTMASTER TOUCHING HIM : TALKING TO HIM ABOUT "JACKING OFF" He stated that his Scoutmaster (Bruce Christy) came into his tent and touched him. I asked if he touched [REDACTED] in his private area : he said yes. I told the boys [REDACTED] that we needed to talk to Mr. Gidley, the Camp Director, : they all stated they would. I told them to meet me at the Volleyball game & we would all talk to Mr. Gidley.

I informed Mr. Gidley at approx. 1800.

[REDACTED]

10/11/90 11:11/90
My feet were hurting. I thought he was
misusing my feet but he did my whole
body
[REDACTED]

THIS HAPPENED AT 1 AM OR 2 AM IN
THE MORNING (MONDAY JULY 9, 1990), ACCORDING
TO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WAS HIS TENT-
MATE.
Carm Gully
CAMP DIRECTOR 11 July 1990

Tenderfoot
7-11-90

Sunday, night

I was taking a shower and my boatmaster started to talk about jacking-off. Later that night he came into our tent and started to ~~manipulate~~ jack me off through my underwear. I knew what he was doing and did not want to let him know ~~that~~ that I was awake; so I rolled over and he stopped.

Monday morning

He came in and woke me up to get ready for breakfast. I was laying on my stomach and he pulled down my underwear. Then he started massaging my whole body, but he did not go near my penis.

Sign 

I was informed on the night of July 14, 1990 of actions involving Bruce Christie and the members of my unit. Allegations were made to say that the scoutmaster was sexually molesting and abusing the members, or at least two through masturbation and sensual petting. Bruce has always seemed to be a very close person who does like to touch people. Until now, I have only known him to give a pat on the back or a hug of greeting. I never actually observed any of these actions reported by the boys.

Boys:

Life Scout, 15
Troop 56

Adults:

Hurst, TX 76053

WK: Business Manager
Education Service
Center Region 8

I was just looking around and I saw ~~the~~ Bruce walking over to [redacted] tent. I thought he was just going to check on them. He was over there about 5 minutes then came over to my tent to do something to me or my tent partner ~~and~~ and I had some food ~~that~~ I hid under my sleeping bag and He said ok and he left. After he left I went to sleep.

all I ~~now~~ now is that he
was checking the tents. And that
he ~~was~~ was by ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~
Bed.



Life

7-11-90

Sunday night

I was listening to my radio and changing stations when I heard someone walking outside. I lifted up the flap of my tent & saw Bruce walking ~~around~~ ^{around} to different tents. I thought he was making tent checks so I put up my radio and ~~fast~~ glanced out every once and a while to see where Bruce was. He was still in someone's tent so I decided to ~~go~~ go to sleep.

Signed 

Tenderfoot
7-11-90

Sunday night

I was going to go take a shower and I saw [redacted] & Bruce talking about facking-off so I went back to camp with [redacted] and asked him what he was talking about so he told me. I went to take a shower and did and came back to my tent. Then Bruce came in and started checking me for ticks in our private parts and the rest of our bodies. Then I went to bed. Later on that night I saw him come in ~~into~~ our tent and went over to [redacted]. I thought he was just talking to [redacted] till [redacted] turned over then he walked out.

Monday morning

I was just starting to wake up and then he came over to my bed and he started rubbing my stomach and going farther down to my private parts. So I got up and went and took a shower. Then Bruce came to the shower and started touching my behind. Then I went back to my tent.

[redacted]

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R O S T E R

ARLINGTON

TX

DISTRICT NAME & NUMBER	SUB-DIST NAME & NUMBER	COUNTY	LOCAL UNIT NO.	STATUS	TERM (MONTHS)	RENEWAL DATE
CROSSTIMBERS 29	CROSSTIMBERS 2	TARRANT	56	R	12	12/31/90

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION NAME & ADDRESS	CODE	INSTITUTIONAL HEAD NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE	100 % BOYS' LIFE	Y
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH	012	ARTHUR DIGBY 817 277-2634	TOP LEADER TRAINED	Y

ARLINGTON TX 76010 ARLINGTON TX 76010 10 MONTHS COMPLETED TENURE

MEETING PLACE	AND	DAY	BOYS' LIFE:	TERM BEGINS	ENDS
			10	5/90	2/91

ADULT MEMBER LISTING

LDR NO	POS	BL	ST	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY & STATE	ZIP	DATE OF BIRTH	SEX	PHONE
114208	SA R	MIRIAM	AIKEN		GLENN HEIGHTS	TX 75115	5/10/53	F		
138843	MC N	RICHARD D	BENAVIDES		GLENN HEIGHTS	TX 75115	12/29/52	M		
115879	SA R	JAMES C	BURTON		EULESS	TX 76040	10/03/59	M		
5376	SM R	BRUCE W	CHRYSTIE		ARLINGTON	TX 76013	9/22/53	M		
115878	MC R	ELAINE H	GARVIN		ARLINGTON	TX 76015		F		
115875	CC R	JIMMY L	GARVIN		ARLINGTON	TX 76015	9/30/42	M		
121008	MC R	CHARLES W	JILES		ARLINGTON	TX 76013	9/11/27	M		
138841	MC N	ROBERT M	KELLEY		ARLINGTON	TX 76014	3/10/50	M		
115830	SA R	WALTER C	KOEHLER III		GRAND PRAIRIE	TX 75052	9/25/54	M		
115874	MC R	JANIECE	OLIVER		ARLINGTON	TX 76014	6/12/47	F		
138845	SA N	LAURA	STANFORTH		ARLINGTON	TX 76010	4/05/52	F		
138840	SA N	SHARON L	STROHECKER		ARLINGTON	TX 76010	7/22/46	F		
119593	CR R	NORMAN G	WATSON		ARLINGTON	TX 76013	4/12/34	M		
143074	MC N	SUSAN M	WOOD		ARLINGTON	TX 76010	4/26/51	F		

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YOUTH MEMBER LISTING

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138855	Y	N				GLENN HEIGHTS	TX 75115			M	
134269	Y	R				ARLINGTON	TX 76014		7/02/76	M	H
134270		R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010		8/31/77	M	H
138853	Y	N				ARLINGTON	TX 76015			M	H
134274	Y	R				GRAND PRAIRIE	TX 75052		10/21/72	M	H
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138860	Y	N				ARLINGTON	TX 76014			M	
134275	Y	R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010		6/22/76	M	H
119642	N	R				ARLINGTON	TX 76014	06	8/29/78	M	H
138859	Y	N				ARLINGTON	TX 76014			M	
115882	L	R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010	10	11/02/72	M	H
138852	Y	N				GRAND PRAIRIE	TX 75052		1/31/76	M	
103618	Y	N	R			ARLINGTON	TX 76010	05	1/20/79	M	
133579		R				FORT WORTH	TX 76101	06	10/30/77	M	
138857		N				ARLINGTON	TX 76014		2/14/73	M	
133584	N	R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010	05	1/07/79	M	
119639		R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010	08	6/04/74	M	
133582	N	R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010	06	11/20/77	M	
115884	Y	N	R			ARLINGTON	TX 76012	05	3/07/78	M	
134280		R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010		11/15/76	M	
1281	Y	R				ARLINGTON	TX 76010		5/11/75	M	C
138851	Y	N				EULESS	TX 76040		3/10/77	M	
141144	T	N				ARLINGTON	TX 76017	06	9/22/79	M	H
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133583	Y	N	R			ARLINGTON	TX 76013	06	1/30/78	M	H
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SM BRUCE W. CHRYSTIE
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SEXUAL ABUSE OF YOUTH

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Ex-scoutmaster guilty of fondling

6-8-93

Arlington man admits 2nd camping trip offense; sentence pending

By Todd J. Gillman

Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

A former Arlington scoutmaster pleaded guilty Monday to fondling a 13-year-old Scout during a canoe trip to Minnesota three years ago.

The scoutmaster, Bruce Wayne Chrystie, faces up to 10 years in prison on a single count of fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct, but under Minnesota guidelines will probably receive probation, said Lake County, Minn., prosecutor Bruce Anderson.

Mr. Chrystie previously pleaded guilty in Texas to another fondling offense during a Texas outing at a Wise County Scout camp. He subsequently lost his position as an elementary school teacher in Fort Worth and his post as a scoutmaster.

The former Scout leader, who is still serving a six-year probation sentence in the Wise County case, could not be reached Monday for comment. Mr. Chrystie's attorney, Richard Holmstrom of Duluth, Minn., declined to comment Monday.

The offense in Minnesota occurred June 19, 1990, the last night of a 10-day canoe trip, Mr. Anderson said. Mr. Chrystie and the teen-age Scout were members of Troop 56, sponsored by the First Christian Church of Arlington.

"During the canoe trip, during a night when everything was rainy and wet, he had one of the boys in the Scout troop in the sleeping bag with him and fondled him," Mr. Anderson said. "There was one other witness that saw that the two of them were in one sleeping bag."

He said the prosecution was delayed in part because the abuse occurred at a campsite on the south side of Knife Lake near the Canadian border.

"The original investigation left me where I couldn't prove it happened here in America," Mr. Anderson said. "Unless you've been there, you can't imagine. You talk about

Texas having open spaces. The lakes and forests and the total lack of landmarks makes it difficult."

Mr. Chrystie will be sentenced Thursday, lawyers said.

Under Minnesota guidelines, Mr. Chrystie would have faced tougher penalties if his victim had been 12 or younger, and if there had been penetration.

He still could receive an eight-month jail term, but Mr. Anderson said he expects nothing more than probation because the case is treated as a first offense.

Prosecutors will ask that Mr. Chrystie be barred from any activities involving anyone under age 18.

The victim in the Minnesota case and his parents — the father was an assistant scoutmaster — have moved to California and could not be reached.

Their attorney, Chris Jones of Dallas, said the boy "is still scarred from the situation."

He said the family will file a lawsuit soon after the sentencing because "we feel that it's more than just Mr. Chrystie who is responsible." He declined to say who the family would sue, or the amount of damages.

The offense occurred at a "high adventure camp" run by the Irving-based Boy Scouts of America National Council.

A Boy Scouts spokesman said the group does everything possible to deter pedophiles, including reference checks and interviews. The Scouts also have developed training programs to help boys, parents and Scout leaders prevent potential abuse, detect and report it.

"The problem is there is no airtight way of identifying potential child abusers," said Blake Lewis of Edelman Inc., a Dallas public relations firm retained by the Boy Scouts.

"You can't line up 100 individuals and say we've got these three criteria so we can weed these peo-

ple out," he said. "It's a situation where there is no known profile."

* Scouting officials said they do not keep statistics on abuse cases, but that as soon as allegations are made, the accused are removed from contact with boys.

"We have nearly 11,000 adult volunteers in our 11-county council, and rarely do we have a pedophile occur," said Scout executive Terry Schwarck of the Fort Worth-based Longhorn Council of the Boy Scouts, which serves 35,000 youths. "We do everything within our power to have a safe and happy Boy Scout experience with our youngsters."

The fondling offense in Minnesota occurred only weeks before the Wise County offense. That offense took place on July 9, 1990, at the Sid Richardson Scout Reservation on Lake Bridgeport.

According to a Wise County indictment, Mr. Chrystie was sharing a tent with several Troop 56 Scouts when he fondled two of them, ages 11 and 12.

Three boys reported the incident the next day, and scouting officials suspended Mr. Chrystie three days later.

In exchange for one guilty plea, the charge involving the younger boy was dropped. Mr. Chrystie received a 60-day jail term and six years' probation.

The offense in Minnesota came to light when church parents began questioning their children after the Wise County fondling.

The mother of one Troop 56 Scout, who asked not to be identified, said Monday's guilty plea may help members of the First Christian Church of Arlington come to grips with the sad truth that a fellow congregant is a pedophile.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's not the Boy Scouts' fault, it's not the church's fault," she said. "It was one man's fault, and that was Bruce Chrystie."

August 2, 1990

Mr. Kent W. Gibbs
Scout Executive
Longhorn Council, No. 582

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: BRUCE W. CHRYSTIE

Dear Kent:

Thanks so much for the very detailed report concerning the above named individual. This is most helpful to us and enables us to establish a file which will lead to refusal of registration in the future.

The only other item I would like is the outcome of the legal action, if Mr. Chrystie is to be charged with a crime. If this occurs, we would like this information and also the outcome of that court action.

Thanks so much for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: South Central Region, Sum SCR

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